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I know, Liz. We'll keep working on that. Yesterday's statement, plus today's talking points, plus work throughout the day, and explanations at the public meeting in Durango.

The nut of the message is that this information is consistent with the information from evening before last—the trend on the 6th was already toward pre-event conditions. People want to know what was in the spill and this is the list. We continue to work on a evaluation of information and plan to determine when to open the River to water users.

Shaun is going to Durango this morning to be at the public meeting and work this through the day.

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From: Purchia, Liz
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To: Card, Joan; Fritz, Matthew; McGrath, Shaun; Smith, Paula; Blumenfeld, Jared; Strauss, Alexis; Kao, Jessica; Curry, Ron; Coleman, Sam; Gray, David; Stanislaus, Mathy; Breen, Barry; Gray, David; Ostrander, David; McKean, Deborah; Hestmark, Martin; Harrison, Melissa; Zito, Kelly; Hull, George
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How are we going to explain what this data means to the public, officials and media?

Can we explain what these numbers mean for drinking water, human health, wildlife, etc?

I just worry that we shouldn't post the numbers or put it out without some explainers.

From: Card, Joan
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All, this information will be released this morning. A lot is happening very quickly. We are explaining this to Senators and Governor in Durango at 10am this morning. Prepping for a public meeting at 6pm and issuing on web site this morning. My distribution is truncated here, so please forward to those in EPA who need to know this. Not ideal, I know, but consistent with Congressional and Media updates yesterday afternoon, so should be no surprises, just lots of questions.

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